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Mr. Gene K. Fong Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration 650 Capital Mall Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA 95814 Mr. Leslie T. Rogers Regional Administrator Federal Transit Administration 201 Mission Street, Suite 2210 San Francisco, CA 94105

Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. <u>Description</u>

3 Transit Element

- This amendment deletes \$80,000 from the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency for the purchase of two paratransit vehicles in Fiscal Year (FY) 2004/05. These are FTA 5307 funds.
- For FY 2005/06, programs \$300,000 to Kings County Area Public Transit Agency to rehabilitate and rebuild buses. These are FTA 5307 funds.
- This amendment adds \$236,000 in FY 2005/06 for the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency for operating assistance for Hanford-Lemoore routes. These are FTA 5307 funds.
- Modifies funding for Kings County Area Public Transit Agency for a vanpool subsidy program by deleting \$200,000 from FY 2004/05. These are CMAQ funds.

State Element

• Programs \$2,604,000 for the Route 198 Expressway in FY 2005/06. These are National Highway System and State cash funds.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 3 for inclusion into California's 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP).

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Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information.

The updated programming is for project types that do not require a re-determination of the air quality conformity analysis. Therefore, this FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. KCAG prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment. These projects are included and submitted by KCAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely

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Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

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